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The reply of the POLICE JUSTICE.

The police continued the crusade upon the lottery-dealers yesterday with much vigor. In every precinct all the available policemen were sent in citizens' clothing to watch the police offices, with orders to arrest the proprietors wherever the necessary evidence could be obtained. President French said to a TRIBUNE reporter:

"If this business can be stopped I am going to do it. Monday last I called the inspectors together and told them that this must be done; that I should hold them to rigid responsibility for failure to obey, and that any one whom I found failing in this duty I should have dismissed from the force. I told them that they knew perfectly well how to do it, and that it must be done. Their reply was that with the co-operation of the Courts the business could be stopped—without it, not. This, then, is our position. The lack of cooperation on the part of the Courts is the greatest obstacle in our way. The opportunity of the Judges is not lacking. The selling of policy or lottery tickets is a felony, and instead of fining the culprits \$10 or \$100 they could and should send them to the Penitentiary, as they have a right to do. The police shall now do all they can; the result then rests not with us."

"There are dealers," suggested the reporter, "who refuse to sell the tickets, but send them by mail and let the applicant drop the amount in a convenient box."

"That is something the United States laws must remedy. I think they have the remedy, too. I am not sure but that now the Postmaster has authority to prevent the use of the mails."

I desire to report the condition of the houses bounded by Sixth Street and Sixth Avenue, Third and Lexington Avenue. The exterior of the front shop in Third Avenue, the block is occupied exclusively by a shabby population, said to number from 150 to 200 people, and the little in which they live, and the foul odors arising from the filth in which they exist constitute a public nuisance. The windows of the fronts of the New-York Foundling Asylum, which contains from 500 to 600 children, and attendants, have to be closed in winter weather for fear of catching cold air. During the summer and autumn a perceptible increase of diarrhoea and disease has affected the children and citizens in that part of the asylum, possibly from the fact that the children are exposed to the elements of nature.

Princeton claims the championship because she has had it for two years, and has not been defeated this year. On the other hand Yale lays claim to the honor, as she has won the last eleven consecutive championships. Yale held the last eleven consecutive championships. The question is important in deciding the championship, whether Princeton's claim is valid. A challenge will probably be issued to her, and the question will probably be, what is the date of the game, probably at Princeton next Saturday. If Princeton accepts, and is either defeated or the game results in a draw, the championship rests with Yale. A challenge there will no doubt be three votes to one in the football Association against awarding her the championship.

The case referred to by Mr. French was that of Francis Finney, a policy seller of No. 66 West Nineteenth, who was arrested November 23 by Officer Lefferts of the Mercer-Street Police, to be sold to the officer, it is said, for his services, received the members in a room he rented to a rooming house, and the books containing the numbers, with the sworn testimony of the purchasers that they were the numbers of the lottery, were surrendered to Justice Wandell, who discovered the prisoners were holding the slips not produced, holding that they were necessary to conviction. On October 1 the same Justice held the prisoner, Annie O'Neill, for selling lottery-slip, and the evidence showed that she was a widow, had no dependents, and was a member of the church. The charge was that she had received money for furnishing anything connected with my present mission."

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